



**Buenos Aires, Argentina**

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**To the Chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security**

**United States House of Representatives.-**

**Mr. Michael T. McCaul**

In my capacity of General Prosecutor in charge of the Special Attorney's Office assigned to investigate the AMIA bombing and in regard to your invitation to attend the hearing before that Committee's Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, scheduled for July 9, on the subject of Iran's extending influence in the Western Hemisphere, I am writing to inform you and, through you, to all the other members of the Committee and Subcommittee, that I was denied the authorization to testify before that honorable parliament.

In effect, the General Attorney of Argentina, chief of all the public prosecutors in our country, has considered that the subject of the subcommittee's hearing has no relation to the official mission of the General Attorney's Office and, therefore, under those grounds, the permission was denied by the highest Argentine competent authority with legally binding capacity to provide the needed endorsement to allow my testimony before the authorities of a foreign country.

Nevertheless, I would like to take this opportunity to express my profound gratitude to your invitation to testify before the United States Congress on the progresses and conclusions made within the thorough investigation that I lead, which has allowed me to establish the responsibility of the highest authorities of the Republic Islamic of Iran at the time of the AMIA bombing, for having ordered

and planned the terrorist attack that killed 85 people and injured more than 200, which was executed by the terrorist organization Hezbollah, and –hence- formally indict them for this heinous crime. Also, the requested testimony aimed to address the general context in which the terrorist attack was planned and executed, which was dominated by a significant regional infiltration of agents from the Islamic Republic of Iran, as it has been asserted in the indictments that I have filed within the judicial investigation of the AMIA case. All this, in the understanding that communicating and sharing our conclusions within lawmaking, academic, social, judicial and other domains, contributes to raise awareness of the threat posed by international terrorism, and the necessity to combat it with plenty force and exclusively within the limits of the law.

Please accept the assurance of my highest consideration.



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